

## OUR PRESENCE

### November 3, 2024

- Online: 113
- Sunday School: 108
- Contemporary: 89
- Traditional: 126
- Total In Person: 215

### November 10, 2024

- Online: 88
- Sunday School: 111
- Contemporary: 84
- Traditional: 138
- Total In Person: 222

### November 17, 2024

- Online: 149
- Sunday School: 106
- Contemporary: 86
- Traditional: 152
- Total In Person: 238

### November 24, 2024

- Online: 67
- Sunday School: 117
- Contemporary: 93
- Traditional: 153
- Total In Person: 246

## OUR GIFTS

### Giving Deposits

- October Online: \$7,165
- November 3: \$10,540
- November 10: \$8,067
- November 17: \$9,428
- November 24: \$6,765

### General Budget Giving Through October 2024

Tithes & Offerings \$492,941  
Expenses \$510,729



Advent/Christmas Series

# ON THE WAY TO BETHLEHEM



## A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR PAUL

At Christmas, most of us are on the move - fighting for parking spots, shuttling between parties and programs, traveling to be with family and friends. But the countdown to Christmas is also a spiritual journey, an opportunity to slow down as we make our way to the manger together. Each Sunday in Advent, we'll stop and explore some of the most important locations in the Christmas story: Rome, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Bethlehem, and Persia. Along the way, we'll discover the meaning of Christmas in God's gifts of hope, peace, joy, love - and in the baby lying in a manger, born to save us all.

Grateful to be on the way with you,  
Pastor Paul



# A Family for All

We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of Gen Pelot, who passed away on Saturday, November 2nd.

We celebrate with Alex & Libby Katers, who welcomed baby Eva Grace into the world on Wednesday, November 13th.



**Hanging of the Greens**



**Veterans Dinner and Program**

## Birthdays in December

- |                    |                          |
|--------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Peyton Anderson  | 13 Debra Breyer          |
| Lu Cooper          | 14 Jim Connor            |
| 3 Claude Grabski   | Mike Jones               |
| 4 Jeff Hennis      | 15 Daniel Choplin        |
| Donna Fox          | Arlene Arnoczy           |
| 5 Rue Shuping      | Dev Bryant               |
| 6 Rebecca Brown    | 16 Connie Beard          |
| 7 Emmett Pomeroy   | William Farlow           |
| Cathy Wells        | 17 Gary Gross            |
| 8 Preston Jester   | Ellie Goff               |
| Woody Smith        | 18 Sophie Godfrey        |
| Derrell Spell      | Aaron Jones              |
| 9 Michael Morgan   | 20 Catherine Googe       |
| Rob Slaughter      | Rebecca Ward             |
| 10 Michael hayes   | 21 Valerie Alexander     |
| Eliza Cordray      | Jessica Baker            |
| 11 Larry Peddycord | 22 Angela Bradley-Farmer |
| Bob Stebbins       | 23 Amy Foster            |
| 12 Anne Kirkman    | 24 Dominick Griffin      |
| Donna Stanford     | 27 Rick Langevin         |
| Tim Clodfelter     | Joel Pace                |
|                    | Cindy O'Byrne            |
|                    | 29 Eliot Ewald           |
|                    | Jamie Forrester          |
|                    | 31 Toni Jones            |
|                    | Anita Pace               |



## Anniversaries in December

- 2 Jack & Debra Breyer
- 4 Carol & Rick Lunsford
- Woody & Marilyn Smith
- 11 John & Kelly Morris
- 13 Christopher & Kayleigh Sell
- 19 Clay & Jane Pfeuffer
- 20 Wayne & Shirley Horsley
- David & Megan Vogler
- 27 John & Cathy Wells
- 28 Derick & Ashley Flanery
- JW & Anita Pace





## Advent at Lewisville UMC

### **“Go Tell it on the Mountain” United Women in Faith Christmas Program**

- December 1st at 2:30pm

### **Lewisville Christmas Parade**

- December 8th at 3pm

### **Combined “Joy Sunday” Worship**

- December 15th at 10:30am

### **Church Dinner and Christmas Party**

- December 15th at 5:30pm

### **Christmas Cantata**

- December 22nd at 11:00am

### **Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship**

- December 24th at 5pm and 7pm

### **Combined Worship**

- December 29th at 10:30am



# Invited to Belong

**YOUTH PARTY  
CHRISTMAS**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH  
4:30PM  
IN THE YOUTH ROOM**

**Lewisville  
Christmas  
Parade**

**Sunday, December 8th  
3pm**

**Sign up to participate on the  
church website by 12/4**

**Early Parenthood Class: Designed for those with young children, this new class will gather weekly to discuss healthy habits for faithful homes, share the joys and worries and parenting young children, and support one another in prayer. Facilitated by Daniel and Lily Godfrey in the Library.**

**Wesleyan Class: Geared toward parents of youth and children, weekly meetings include time for light refreshments, fellowship, a Bible based discussion, and prayer. Facilitated by Pastor Paul in the Fellowship Hall.**

**Church  
Christmas  
Dinner &  
Party**



**Sunday, December 15th  
at 5:30pm  
in the Fellowship Hall**



**JOY  
SUNDAY**



**Sunday, December 15th**  
One Service at 10:30am in the Sanctuary  
*featuring our children and youth*



## Luke/Acts Reading Plan

- December 1st–7th: Read Luke 1
- December 8th–14th: Read Luke 2
- December 15th–21st: Read Luke 3
- December 22nd–29th: Read Luke 4
- December 29th–Jan. 4th: Read Luke 5



## Parsonage Open House

Come see the beautiful new kitchen  
December 22nd from 3–5pm  
201 Sonata Drive

## ECHOES SENIOR ADULT GROUP DECEMBER OUTING

Wohlfahrt Haus  
Wednesday, December 11th

Contact Nan Johnson for  
more information

## United Women in Faith

- Morning Circle: Lunch at The Sherwood on Monday, December 9th at 11am
- Afternoon Circle: Monday, December 9th at 1pm in the Yokefellow Room

## DECEMBER HIKE

Saturday, December 7th at 9am

Yadkin Memorial Park

6 mile easy/moderate hike around Lake Hampton  
1200 Crystal Lane  
Yadkinville, NC 27055

Contact Tim or Julie Rains for more info

## FITNESS FAITH CLASS

MONDAYS AT  
6:15PM



Youth Fun Day



Wesleyan Class Friendsgiving



# Empowered to Care

## LCAP NEEDED ITEMS DECEMBER

Canned Chicken  
Laundry Detergent

Please only donate requested items that have not expired as there is limited space in the pantry. Financial contributions are always appreciated. Checks should be made out to LCAP. Thank you!

As the weather gets colder, LCAP is helping to keep local families in their homes. A huge thanks to the Lewisville Civic Club and the Piedmont Flyers for their financial support that helps make this ministry possible.

Meanwhile, our preschool families have been collecting food items and LCAP will provide the turkeys for 45 families to have a Thanksgiving meal this year. This is the kingdom of God – right here in Lewisville!



### **December Blessings Box Volunteer:**

Boy Scouts – Rhonda Tiddy

Remember to donate non-perishable food & toiletry items to the Blessings Box as often as possible.

**The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be on January 11, at Lewisville United Methodist.**

## LUMC HURRICANE HELENE RESPONSE



### Phase One: Relief **COMPLETED**

- ✓ 338 Flood Buckets
- ✓ \$14,074 in Donations
- ✓ 4 Truck Loads of Supplies

### Phase Two: Recovery

- ✓ Emergency Response Teams (Sign Up in the Opportunity Form)

## Christmas Eve Offering

*Remembering that Jesus's family was forced to flee to Egypt for safety, the entirety of our Christmas Eve offering will go toward supporting the refugee ministry of World Relief Triad and our Good Neighbor Team.*



On December 19th & 26th, you're invited to sing carols and visit with the residents of Vienna Village. If you'd like to carpool, meet in the Sanctuary Parking Lot at 9:45am or meet the group at Vienna Village at 10am. We are also starting a monthly opportunity to have coffee with residents. Contact Betty Schwartz for more information.

**Pray for our missionary in Cambodia, Patrick Booth (pbooth@umcmmission.org)**



**Volunteers delivering Flood Buckets to the Mission Response Center in Terrell, NC**

## **From the Finance Committee**

Since Celebration Sunday, we have received a record 102 commitment cards, including 16 first time commitments. The total dollar amount pledged is \$583,730, an increase of 23% over last year and covering 90% of our 2025 budget! Thanks to your generous support, we will continue our mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of our community and the world.

## **From the Staff Parish Relations Committee**

To show our staff appreciation, we are taking up a Christmas love offering beginning on Sunday, December 1st and concluding on December 24th. We encourage you to show your love and support to our well deserving staff. Please designate your gift as "staff love offering" or use the envelopes provided in the bulletin.

## **End of Year Details**

- The Church Office will be closed from December 25th–January 1st.
- Any end of year contributions can be mailed to the church or left in the secure mailbox outside of the church office. Any contributions dated 2024 will be included on your 2024 giving records.



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Or scan here:



Please submit articles for the December 2024 Issue of The Shallowford Steeple by Friday, November 22, 2024

# View Our Church Directory on Your Mobile Device!

Our church directory is a great resource tool that allows you to get to know our church family better.

Simply go to the App Store, search for *Instant Church Directory* and download the FREE app to begin. You will use your email address listed in the directory to **create a login** the first time you use the app.

If you're not listed in the directory OR if you have trouble logging into the app, please contact the church office.



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